

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report



Topic	Item No	Checklist item description	Reported on Page Number/Line Number	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	1	The diagnosis or intervention of primary focus followed by the words "case report"	1/1-3	Title Page
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	2/65-66	Abstract/4
Abstract (no references)	За	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	2/45-48	Abstract/1
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	2/50-57	Abstract/2
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	2/50-57	Abstract/2
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	2/59-63	Abstract/2
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	3/76-86	Background/1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	3/92-95	Case Presentation/1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	3/94-96	Case Presentation/1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	3/92-100	Case Presentation/1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	3/92-97	Case Presentation/1
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	3,4/101-103, 110-111	Case Presentation/2,3
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	13/362-363	Figure Legends/4
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	3,4/102-106, 111-117	Case Presentation/2,3
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	5/151–154, 163-165	Discussion/1
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	4/124-126	Case Presentation/4
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	5/139-144	Case Presentation/5
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	4,5/127-144	Case Presentation/4,5
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	4,5/128-137	Case Presentation/4,5
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	4/129-132	Case Presentation/5

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	4,5/136-137	Case Presentation/5
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	5/139-142	Case Presentation/5
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	5/142-144	Case Presentation/5
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	5/144	Case Presentation/5
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	5,6/151-184	Discussion/1,2
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	5/156-163	Discussion/1
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	5,6/166-184	Discussion/2
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	6/187-192	Conclusion/1
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	6/195	Patient Perspective
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes X	No 🗌

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